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Remarks

Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Amendment and reconsideration of the pending claims. Claims 1-33 are currently pending in the above-identified patent application. Applicant notes that claims 1 and 33 are generic.

Claims 1 and 33 are amended to define the hindered amine light stabilizer to comprise a pendant siloxane chain. Support for this is found in the specification at least at paragraph [0027] line 4.

Claims 34-39 are added to define further aspects of the invention. Support for these claims is found at least in the Examples section, Tables 2 and 3, and Fig. 1. These new claims depend from existing and allowable claims and define further features and aspects of the invention.

Applicant asserts that no material relied on to overcome the rejection is incorporated by reference.

Applicant submits that the use of trademarks has been respected and generic terminology is used where applicable and appropriate. Capitalization will be made by amendment if necessary, and Applicant requests abatement of any objection relating thereto until such time as allowable subject matter is indicated. Further, claim 1 is amended to remove the parenthetical term in an effort to advance prosecution. That the claim is indefinite due to inclusion of the term will not be disputed here. The remaining claims so affected are withdrawn and will be amended if necessary and at such time as allowable subject matter is indicated.

With regard to the rejection under 35 USC § 103, a generic class of HALS is indicated as being addable in the cited art ("various other additives may be added where necessary.") there is no indication that the sub-genus defined by those HALS having "a pendant siloxane chain" is contemplated in the art, would be useful in the composition shown in the art, or would be selectable from the genus without undue experimentation. None of the references cited disclose the sub-genus claimed. None of the references cited teach or suggest the use of the sub-genus claimed.

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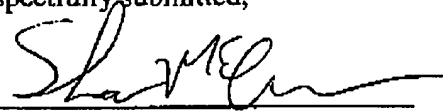
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The claimed sub-genus has properties and characteristics associated therewith that are neither shown nor obvious relative to the overall genus of hindered amine light stabilizers as indicated in the specification.

Applicant submits that the claims are allowable. Should the Examiner believe that anything further is needed, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicant's undersigned representative at the telephone number below. Any additional fees for the accompanying response are hereby petitioned for, and the Director is authorized to charge such fees as may be required to Deposit Account 07-0868.

Respectfully submitted,



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